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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM

Stanley Sporkin General Counsel

SUBJECT

Implementation of Approved Recommendations in IG's Report on the Office of Security

REFERENCE

: Your memo to me dtd 31 Dec. 1981, Subj: Approval of Recommendations in IG's Rpt.

on the Office of Security

1. In the reference you requested my report by 2 April regarding the implementation of one of the recommendations you approved in the Inspector General Report on the Office of Security. That recommendation and the specific action we have taken on the matter are discussed below.

2. Recommendation 24:

That the General Counsel intensify efforts to provide OS employees with a working knowledge of the restricted and allowable activities according to Executive Order 12036 (now superseded by E.O. 12333). Further, that the General Counsel compile a precis in lay terms of federal, state, and local privacy laws that are relevant to OS activities, including the extent to which CIA employees are bound by such state and local laws.

3. With respect to E.O. 12333, a senior attorney of this Office briefed the Director of Security and senior security management in detail on the subject. We have also arranged with OS to create a formal half-day course for mid-level OS personnel to be given in two separate sessions in April and May. In addition, attorneys in this Office now participate in a course given for new OS officers by OS' Security Education Group.

STAT STAT 4. With respect to the requirement to compile a precis of privacy laws that are relevant to OS activities, we have completed the preliminary research, and have drafted that precis. Further research on local law will have to be selective and focussed on local jurisdictions where problems have arisen. Basically, the research completed thus far indicates that, from a legal standpoint, federal and state laws do not present obstacles to OS access to records, either because of express exemptions or because of federal supremacy. A practical problem may exist, however, in educating state and local jurisdictions of these facts. According to local field offices, some state and local agencies may be trying to raise legal obstacles to providing information for policy and economic reasons. Obviously this type of problem is not easily solved and sustained efforts over a relatively long period may be required.

Stanley Sporkin

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